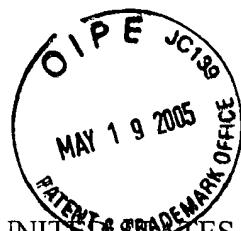


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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant respectfully directs the Examiner's attention to the attached European Examination Report issued during prosecution of a European patent application corresponding to the above U.S. application. Inasmuch as this application has not yet received a first Office Action on the merits, it is believed that this Information Disclosure Statement is timely. See 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(3).

The sole document referred to in the Examination Report was previously cited in the Information Disclosure Statement dated January 29, 2004.

The Examiner is urged to study this information in its entirety and to form an independent determination of the materiality of the information to the claimed invention.

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